NEW MEETING DATE

Due to scheduling problems, the monthly meeting date has been changed to the second Thursday of the month. The time will remain at 7:00 P.M. and the meeting will be in the small meeting room of the Missoula Public Library (down the hall to the right of the main entrance) unless otherwise noted.

NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting of the Western Montana Genealogical Society (WMGS) will be on Thursday, NOVEMBER 6th, 7:00 p.m. at the Missoula Public Library. Following the business meeting, we will work on indexing of the vital statistics from the MISSOULIAN.

DUES

Dues are $18.00/year for individuals or $12.00/year for a family. If there is a star after the name on your address label your 1990-91 dues are listed as paid. Dues can be mailed to our P.O. box 2714. If there is a mistake on your label please contact the editor.

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Program open

**** We are in need of a program chairperson/ suggestions for programs/ people willing to present a program ****

Please consider what you can do and contact Joyce Kemmer or one of the other officers. Thanks.

IN THE MAIL THIS MONTH

The Montana State Genealogical Society is going to publish a cookbook as a fund raiser. The book will feature recipes handed down by our ancestors. If you have a recipe that you would like to see include in this cookbook please bring a legible copy of it and a short history of the recipe to the next meeting. You can also mail your recipes to Florance Magstaff, P.O. Box 823, Billings MT 59103. The recipes can be in all categories. Last month I forgot to include the recipe for Kartoffel (potato dumplings), a traditional recipe used by the Germans from Russia, that came with this announcement. Mix together: 6 c. grated potatoes, 6 T. sweet cream, 1 tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. salt, and 1/2 cup of flour. Roll by hand to about the size of a walnut. Drop each dumpling in boiling, salted water. Boil until done. Drain, pour white sauce over dumplings and serve.

The next meeting of the Montana State Genealogical Society will be Jan. 12th, Great Falls Paris Gibson Square at 1:00 p.m. with lunch at 12:00 at the Taco Treat on Central Ave. An alternate date of Jan. 19th has been set if the weather is inclement on the 12th.

OREGON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY QUARTERLY, vol.27, no.3 spring 1989. This is a sample sent to us asking if we would like to exchange quarterlies. A list of publications of the OGS with order blanks is included in the back of this quarterly.

TREES and TRAILS vol.14, no.4. The Bulletin of the Flathead Valley Genealogical Society. This bulletin contains an
article on the genealogical holding of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, continuations of Flathead County Marriages 1911-1920 and General Index to Deeds - Grantor 1884-1897, as well as an index to this volume.

GEN-BUG NEWS from the Yellowstone Genealogy Forum, Billings, MT.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

The new computer system for looking at the IGI, FAMILY ANCESTRAL FILES and the Library Catalogue is up and running!!! This is a great tool and allows for printouts at only 5 cents/page. The IGI for all of the USA and Canada are all intermixed so searches here can be time consuming. Use of the IGI on the fiche may be more time economical if you know what state you want. If you bring your own MSDOS formatted disk you can download information for use at home with this program or with compatible word processors. Blank disks are available at the family history center for $1.00 each.

City Directories on microfiche from all over the US are pouring into the library faster than they can be put into the files! Some go back as far as the late 1700's (NY, Boston), but most are from around the 1850's. There are too many to list, but most of the larger cities are included. We will try to get a complete listing when they have all arrived.

Census for CO, ID, MT, NB, ND, SD, WY, UT for 1850-1910 are in.

Wisconsin Birth Index - pre 1907 is in. #6331478

California Marriage Indexes 1960-1981 for Brides #6332555, and Grooms #6332557

Illinois Public Domain Land Tract Sales 1814-1923 #6016848

Dennis Richard, archivist at the U of M Mansfield Library, has agreed to take the WMGS on a tour of the University library in January. Please watch the newsletter for the date. This will be a very valuable experience for beginning and experienced genealogists!!!